

within or adjacent to the Town limits with major growth areas being in the northwestern section of town, the southern end of Town, and west of SR 1151.

There are presently six manufacturing firms within the Scotland Neck planning area, two of which are within the corporate limits. It is believed that the county-maintained water system, which should begin supplying the Scotland Neck area in the near future, will attract new industry to the Town. According to the 1977 Land Development Plan, new industry is expected to locate in northeastern and southeastern sites in the planning area.

The central business district (CBD) is located on Main Street between 8th and 13th Streets. Other commercial areas are near the Brawley School Road-Railroad intersection and on Main Street south of 8th Street. In an effort to revitalize the CBD, future commercial growth will be directed primarily to the three block area on Main Street between 9th and 12th Streets. Some neighborhood business expansion is expected in the vicinity of the 12th Street housing project and near Poplar Street north of Brawley School Road.

Virtually all the land west of the Town limits is prime agricultural land. There are no plans for developing this area. Areas of public land use include those sites occupied by churches, schools, the medical complex, the National Guard Armory and the cemetery.

### Traffic

The major street system in Scotland Neck is shown in Figure 1 with 1971, 1976, 1981 and projected 2005 average daily traffic (ADT) in terms of vehicles per day. Despite the decrease in population, traffic volumes have increased an average of 13% over the ten year period with the highest volume occurring on Main Street in the CBD. The 2005 traffic volume projections are based on past traffic trends and the anticipated increase due to new industry and population growth.

Scotland Neck's major street system consists of US 258, NC 903 and NC 125, all of which are presently routed through the CBD. Problems in the existing thoroughfare system that need to be resolved include:

1. Increased congestion on Main Street in the central business district.
2. Lack of a continuous east-west route.
3. Several substandard streets need improvement.